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Freedom of Information Officer
Office of Public Affairs
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
75 Hawthorne St.
San Francisco, CA 94105

SUBJECT: FOIA REQUEST

Omega Chemical Superfund Site (OU1) & (OU2)
Whittier/Santa Fe Springs, California

Dear Ms. Johnson:

On behalf of the Omega Downgradient Small PRP Group (ODSPG)¹, Source Group, Inc. (SGI) has prepared this Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request regarding the Operable Unit 1 (OU1) and Operable Unit 2 (OU2) of the Omega Chemical Superfund Site at 12504-12512 Whittier Boulevard in Whittier, California. This request specifically seeks the following:

A. All CERCLA 104 (e) responses, data, correspondence or other information relating to the Omega Chemical Site and/or Operable Unit 2 (OU2) received from or on behalf of the following sources of groundwater contamination identified in the EPA's August 2010 FINAL REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION/FEASIBILITY STUDY REPORTS, OMEGA CHEMICAL CORPORATION SUPERFUND SITE OPERABLE UNIT 2, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA:

- Omega Chemical Potential Responsible Parties Organized Group (OPOG);
- Generators identified in connection with Omega Chemical Site (OU1);
- McKesson Chemical Company – 9005 Sorenson Avenue, Santa Fe Springs;
- Angeles Chemical Company – 9815 Sorensen Street, Santa Fe Springs;
- Foss Plating Co., Inc., 8140 Secura Way, Santa Fe Springs, California;
- Modine Manufacturing Company, 12252 East Whittier Boulevard, Whittier, California;
- Former CENCO Refinery, 12345 Lakeland Road, Santa Fe Springs, California;
- Earl Manufacturing, 11862 Burke Street, Santa Fe Springs, California;

¹ ODSPG Parties include the following Sites in Santa Fe Springs and Whittier, CA: Bodycote/Techni-Braze, Inc., 11845 Burke Street; Mission Linen Supply, 11920 E. Washington Boulevard; Phibro-Tech, Inc., 8851 Dice Road; Pilot Chemical Company, 11756 Burke Street; and Site A, 12000 Slauson Avenue.

- G&M Oil Company, 12559 Lambert Road, Whittier, California;
- The Santa Fe Springs Oil Field, Santa Fe Springs, California;
- The Oil Field Reclamation Project, Santa Fe Springs, California;
- Former Unocal Corporation Facility, 9645 South Santa Fe Springs Road, Santa Fe Springs, California;
- Diversey Wyandotte Corporation/Diversey Corporation (Site B), 8921 Dice Road, Santa Fe Springs, California;
- Los Nietos Business Center (Site C), 9120–9160 Norwalk Boulevard and 11925–11933 Los Nietos Road (aka 9100 Norwalk Blvd.), Santa Fe Springs, California;
- LA Piping and Supply/Clutch Systems (Site D), 8421 Chetle Avenue, Santa Fe Springs, California;
- Fineline Paint Corp. (Site E), 12200 Los Nietos Road, Santa Fe Springs, California;
- Mid-West Fabricating Co., Inc./West Bent Bolt (Site F), 8623 Dice Road, Santa Fe Springs, California;
- TCE Source at Whittier Boulevard:
 - 12353 Whittier Boulevard, Whittier, California
 - 725 Whittier Square/12363 Whittier Boulevard/The Whittier Greenway Trail at Mar Vista Street, Whittier, California
- Electronic Chrome & Grinding Co., Inc. (Site G), 9128 and 9132 Dice Road, Santa Fe Springs, California;
- Peterson/Puritan Inc. (Site H), 9101 Sorensen Avenue, Santa Fe Springs, California;
- Continental Heat Treating (Site I) – 10643 Norwalk Blvd, Santa Fe Springs, California;
- Mobil Jalk Fee Property (Site J) – 10607 Norwalk Blvd., Santa Fe Springs, California;
- Eastman Kodak Company (Site K) – 12080 and 12100 Rivera Road, and 8550 Chetle Avenue, Whittier, California;

- Chiller Services Refrigerant Recovery and Reclamation LLC (Site L), 9620 Santa Fe Springs Road, Santa Fe Springs, California;
- Ashland Chemical, 10505 South Painter Avenue, Santa Fe Springs, California;
- Lincoln Distribution Center, 12500 Slauson Avenue, Santa Fe Springs, California;
- Valvoline Oil, 9520 John Street, Santa Fe Springs, California; and
- WDI Superfund Site, Santa Fe Springs, California.

B. All CERCLA 104 (e) responses, data, correspondence or other information relating to the Omega Chemical Site and/or Operable Unit 2 (OU2) received from or on behalf of the following sources of groundwater contamination:

- APC Investment Co.;
- Associated Plating Company;
- Associated Plating Company, Inc. (f/k/a Associated Plating Acquisition Corp.);
- Powerine Oil Company;
- Lakeland Development Company (f/k/a Cenco Refining Co.);
- Dallas Smith Corp. (f/k/a Dallas Smith Service Corporation);
- Continental Heat Treating, Inc.;
- Continental Development Company, LP;
- Claudette Earl, an individual;
- Earl Mfg. Co., Inc.;
- El Greco Wholesale Grocers, Inc.;
- ExxonMobil Oil Corporation;
- Ferro Corp.;
- Firmenich, Inc. (f/k/a Hexion Specialty Chemicals, Inc.);
- Foss Plating Company, Inc.;
- Gordon E. McCann, an individual;
- Lynnea R. McCann, an individual;
- Darrell K. Golnick, an individual;
- Clare S. Golnick, an individual;
- Cheryl A. Golnick, an individual;
- Kekropia, Inc.;
- Momentive Specialty Chemicals, Inc. (f/k/a Hexion Specialty Chemicals, Inc.);
- William K. Palley, an individual;
- Palley Supply Company; and
- PMC Specialties Group, Inc.

C. All waste manifests, summaries of waste manifests, and any other similar documents relating to wastes received at the Omega Chemical site (OU1);

D. Any correspondence, data, reports, calculations, computer models or other digital data or hard media, regarding:

- USEPA's groundwater model and any other groundwater model[s] or calculation[s] regarding or relating to groundwater in OU2;
- Groundwater gradients and flow rates and any other OU2 groundwater characteristics;
- Tests to identify subsurface hydraulic characteristics including but not limited to aquifer (pumping) tests, slug tests, tracer tests;
- Tests to identify subsurface chemical transport characteristics including but not limited to FOC (fraction of organic carbon);
- Data, calculations, information, or correspondence regarding the movement of contaminants in groundwater in OU2, including but not limited to the movement of contaminants in groundwater from the Omega Chemical site (OU1) or any other site in OU2;
- Any stable isotope or other studies used to evaluate OU2 groundwater, including plume source differentiation;
- Analysis of mass of contaminants originating from any site within OU2;
- Any allocation formulas, proposals or models related to OU2;
- Estimates of the mass of contaminants present in groundwater within OU2; and
- All groundwater monitoring data collected or provided on behalf of OPOG including water levels and water quality sample results.

E. All consent decrees, administrative orders, or other orders, settlements or agreements concerning potentially responsible parties other than OPOG or its members that received contribution protection related to OU1 or OU3.

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We appreciate your assistance with this project. Please do not hesitate to call me at (925) 951-6383 if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

The Source Group, Inc.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Khaled B. Rahman", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Khaled B. Rahman, P.G., C.Hg.
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